

Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP)
Developing Recommendations for Managing Madison River Recreation
Madison River Citizen Advisory Committee (MCAC) – Meeting #Seven
November 26, 2012 - 4:30 to 10:00 PM (Public Comment: 5:30 – 6:00 PM)
EL Western Conference Room, Ennis, Montana

PROCESS OBJECTIVES

Within the Advisory Committee's Charter, develop consensus recommendations around the following 4 tasks:

1. Review and assess river recreation information and existing conditions on the Madison River.
2. Identify and describe desirable or acceptable recreation conditions for the Madison River.
3. Identify and describe conditions that would warrant implementation of various management actions.
4. Develop a list of less to most restrictive management actions.

NOVEMBER 26 SESSION OBJECTIVES

- Add to the Committee's information set - Review additional Madison River recreation data; share trapline comments; hear public comments.
- Within the guiding principles, identified "interests", and agreed upon "fair standards/objective criteria", finalize draft desired River conditions (including fishing access sites); conditions that might warrant implementation of potential management options; the potential "less to more restrictive" management options that might be instituted under those conditions.
- Prepare for the December 6 public meeting in Bozeman and affirm the calendar.

AGENDA ITEMS

- Getting started – Introductions if necessary; session objectives and agenda review; "housekeeping"; Committee member time needs
- Where are we in the process – Revisiting the collaborative process/ground rules; specific look at the Committee "tasks"; review of the draft collaborative framework
- New "information":
 - Trapline comments
 - Information distributed by FWP since the last meeting; overview of river management tools applied in Montana and other parts of the Country and their relative value in achieving management goals (Charlie Sperry)
- Finalizing the Draft product:
 - Completing/coming to agreement related to the walk and wade "interest" (including review of November 3 meeting summary; "fair standards/objective criteria" as a problem-solving tool)
 - Revisiting/completing the work done on River "stretches"; completing fishing access sites
 - Pulling it all together to a point that it can be presented at the December 6 public meeting in Bozeman
- Planning/preparing for the public meeting – Desired from the public? General format? Logistics? Needed materials and displays? Material for public distribution? Tools for receiving public comment? Tasks and responsibilities?
- Then what?